## Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number 13-0172/1	Introduction	n Number	AB-0017				
Description Restoration of information from an original birth certificate after adoption							
Fiscal Effect							
State:  No State Fiscal Effect  Indeterminate  Increase Existing  Appropriations  Decrease Existing  Appropriations  Create New Appropriations  Local:  No Local Government Costs	Increase Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues		ets - May be possible hin agency's budget No sts				
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## Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law requires the state registrar to prepare a new birth certificate for an adoptee at the time of adoption, unless the adoptive parents or adoptee objects. The original birth certificate is impounded and cannot be released without a court order.

AB 17 allows an adoptee to petition the court to order a new birth certificate based on the original birth certificate, under the following conditions:

- 1) The adoptee is an adult;
- 2) The adoptee did not have the opportunity at the time of adoption to request that no new birth certificate be prepared;
- 3) The adoptee knows the identity of each birth parent who is named on the original birth certificate;
- 4) Each birth parent who is alive does not object to the restoration of the information on the original birth certificate.

The new birth certificate would not change the legal relationship between the adoptee and his or her adoptive parents or restore the legal relationship that was terminated at the time of the adoption.

The Department's Vital Records office, under the direction of the state registrar, is responsible for recording birth certificate information and would be required to issue any new birth certificates under this legislation. AB 17 is not expected to have a fiscal effect on the Department.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**